## ELIPHALET NOTT, AMERICA'S LEADING EDUCATOR AND TEMPERANCE ADVOCATE, WHO BECAME A LOTTERY KING TO SUPPORT UNION COLLEGE

GOT a Charter from the State of New York, Superintended the Drawings and Made So Many Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars That He Cleared Up All the Debts and Endowed the College with a Fortune.

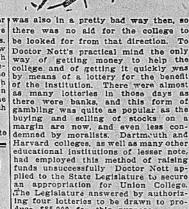
Few men have have left such

lasting impress upon the life America as Eliphalet Nott. For more than half a century he was an educator of young men and as a temperance advocate. As the inventor of a means of utilizing anthracite coal for fuel, probably he did as much as any one man toward the material development of this country along practical lines. But, viewed through the long perspective of years, he stands out even more prominently as a financier. He was the first forerunner of the men who have achieved fame and fortune within the last decade through the consolidation of large business interests. Doctor Nott was the first "Morganizer" of America. While president of Union College, at Schenectady, N. Y., he effected a merger of the lottery interests of the Empire State for the benefit of his educational institution. Like his successors of the twentieth century his financial methods were subsequently bitterly strayed.

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President Nott personally effected Fresident Nott personally effected the merger and propared a new scheme for the drawing, he having been made thesole manager of the enterprise. The State authorities decided that, to meet the provisions of the act, to cover the expenses of the management and to satisfy the grants of those concerned, the whole amount of tickets to be drawn would \$4,492,800 and that the drawings must be completed in eleven years. The amount of the tickets to be sold was fixed at a sum so that 15 per cent, on the prizes would produce the \$236,000 required. The law fixed the compensation for management at 15 per cent, on the sum raised.

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Owing to his position and to his other duties by, Nott first made a contract with a firm of vendors of lottery tickets to sell them on a commission, and subsequently sold the interest in the college to these brokers for \$276, 699. The sale of the tickets was not as brisk as was expected, and the ticket brokers defaulted in their payments. Dr. Nott took over the control, and about five years later a crop of suits and counter-suits at law arose. At first these concerned only the ticket brokers and Dr. Nott, but later others were drawn into the legal dispute. It was 'leged among other things—so bitte was the controversy—that President. Nott had used the funds of the college—the lottery funds—for his private benefit, and had greatly augmented his fortune thereby. It all ended, years later, in 1815, in Dr. Nott paying to Union College \$600,000.

Whether this large sum was in satisfaction of the debt, as claimed by some, or was a donation, as asserted by others, the college got the money, and it was applied to the establishment of professorships, scholarships and other purposes specified in Dr. Nott's deed of conveyance. At any rate, the original source of the money was derived from the lotteries which Dr. Notthad merged and managed with such kill. The debts of the college were paid, and it was left richly endewed for the future. Dr. Nott was the foremost of his day. He followed few if any of the precedents that had been laid down by the heads of the great colleges and universities of the time. In reality he was a generation in advance of the day in which he lived. Flogging for petty misdemeanors was

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first temperance socities in New York States. It still exists. Not only that, but in numerous public addresses he portrayed the evils of intemperance with terrific vividness. No man could excel him in presenting such a picture with all its ghastly details. Whenever he delivered a temperance address multitudes flocked to hear him. He was the first to employ colored drawings to show the ravages of alcohol on the human system, and in their exhibition first temperance socities in New York the first to employ colored drawings to show the ravages of alcohol on the human system, and in their exhibition caused much controversy at the time. As an orator, either in the pulpit or on the lecture platform Dr. Nott was considered the foremost of his day. Those who have heard him, say that the tones of his voice were sperfect that a man who did not understand English would have been able to form an idea of the train or thought which he was pursuing. His sermons or addresses never seemed more than a quarter of an hour long although in reality they lasted from an hour to an hour and a half. When he concluded the audience would sink back in its chairs after having been bolt upright all that time under the spell of the aitention that he demanded.

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When Dr. Nott died he left Union College so well endowed that it was one of the richest educational institutions in America. His only daughter the Ray Alonzo Potter, who tutions in America. His only daughter married the Rev. Alonzo Potter, who was then a professor in Union College and afterward became an Episcopal hishop, Several of their sons achieved eminence in the church among the most noteworthy Henry Codeman Potter, who was Bishop of New York and a renowned pulpit orator. (Copyright, 1916, by Richard Spillane.)

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